BE SENT TO NORTH MANCHURIA AT ONCE

TROTZKY WAS OUSTED BECAUSE OF DISAGREE-MENT, SAYS NEW VERSION—DISAPPROVED LENINE'S POLICY OF WHOLESALE CON-CESSIONS-FIGHTING IN FINLAND.

London, March 11—(By the Sociated Press)—China, in Associated Press)-China, in response to an inquiry from Tokyo, has signified her intention to co-operate with Japan in the protection of Allied interests in the far east. The Chinese war bureau has been requested to arrange for the northern Manchuria. Japan will bear the expense pending American loan to China.

Leon Trotzky was dismissed as Bolshevik foreign minister of Premier Lenine because of a quarrel over the German peace terms, says a dispatch to the Morning Post, dated Sat-urday. Trotzky held that the peace had been extorted by force and that no law recognized promises made under duress as obligatory. Therefore he is reported to have said, it was Russia's duty to fight, if only guerilla warfare, and the German treaty should not be radfled.

Premiar Lenine, on the other hand held that the treaty must be ratified and carried out on the theory that disastrous treaties do not necessarily annihilate nations, as Prussia had proved several times.

Heavy fighting is continuing in Finland between the Finnish White guard and the Russian Red guard, says an official statement on Saturby the headquarters of the White guard at Vasa. Violent encounters are reported on the Satakunta and Savalako fronts. Sanguinary fighting proceeding by day and without interruption at Thuvola in The statement announce that the Russians, despite enormous losses in the Thuvola fighting, contin ually throw fresh forces into the fray.

NEED DRAFTSMEN FOR WORKIN THE ORDNANCE DEPT

Hartford, March 11-Leo A. Korper of this city has been appointed special Charles B. Sandridge, feprmentative of the Civilian Personnel Division of the War Department, that the war department is making

The mechanical draftsmen needed Sergean George H. Bradley, Corporal come within these six qualifications: H. I. G. Whiting, Privates Harold J. Technical college graduates with no practical experience, draftsmen for detailing and lay out work, with Died of wounds—Privates Lawrence three years auto experience, counting college education as two years; or on Theodore Peters, Private Jim F. Eddetailing and designing work with ex- gar. perience in small tool designing, draftsmen accustomed to very close M. Rhodes. work in connection with gauges, jigs and fixtures, machine tool designers, detailers of small machine parts, general mechanical draftsmen. There is Hall. an immediate demand for mechanical draftsmen in another branch of the department.

Mr. Korper has also received notice that the ordnance department needs men for the following occupations: Inspector of machine guns, assistant inspector of rubber tires and assistant inspector of fabrics for pneumatic tires inspector of gun carriages, assistant inspector of gun carriages and essistant inspector of gun carriage parts, assistant inspectors of artillery wheels, gun carriage forgings, castings, steel mill products, inspector of tests, junior accountant and expert cost accountant.

Civil service examinations will be held for these positions in open com-On account of the urgent needs of the service applications will he received until further notice. Papers will be rated promptly and certification made as the needs of the service require. Applications should be properly executed and filed in the office of Mr. Korper, Room 25, State Capitol, Hartford without delay.

RATIFY ALIEN DRAFT TREATIES

Washington, March 3-By unanimous vote a favorable report on the administration bill to give effect to alien draft treaties which may herenegotiated, including those with Great Britain and Canada signed, by authorizing the President to order registration of such allens, was ordered today by the Senate military committee.

TWAIN COMRADE, GILLIS, IS DEAD

San Francisco, March 9-News received today of the death at Sonora, Cal., of Stephen Edward Gillis, aged 80, stirred in old timers' memories of ploneer days when Gillis was an associate of Mark Twain and Bret Harte Gillis was a printer and writer, plying his vocations on newspapers here and other western cities while the gold

excitement was at its height. ARREST SINN FEINER.

London, March 9—Diarmid Lynch. Sergt, Willis, who was one of the posse Sinn Fein "food controller," was ar-rested Thursday in connection with the Willis, who returned to Laredo last

Allies Contented to Allow Germans to Break on Lines

Washington, March 11-Nothing has developed to indicate that the Germans have abandoned their plans for a great offensive in the west, says the war department's weekly review of the military situation, published today. Meanwhile the Allies, the statement continues, have taken an alert defensive and are content to let the enemy break himself

against their impregnable line. The review discloses that the principal sector occupied by American troops, is 4 1-2 miles long and it emphasizes that it holds trenches at four separate points on the French front.

VIRGINIUS MAYO HOLES IN COAT; OF NEW HAVEN LEFT EYE GONE WEDS EX-TYPIST

Stamford, Conn., March 11 .- A martage license was issued here the fore day, to Virginius L. Mayo, a New Haven manufacturer, and Lois D. Wa-New Haven. Under the Connecticut law persons from out of town obtaining a marriage license must wait five days before the ceremony can be performed. Mayo has been living in New York, it is understood.

New York, March 11 .- The name of Lois D. Waterbury was first linked with that of Virginius L. Mayo during Rica investigating mining properties the investigation into the suicide at New Haven of Lillian May Cook, a stenographer employed in his office. Her body was found at West Rock in

> Mayo was absolved by the Connecticut State's attorney of criminal responsibility for her death, but the inbrought to light for the first time the story of his affairs with varous women.

> It developed that he made weekly trips to Brooklyn, where he most of his time at a house he owned in the fashionable Park Slope section, which was occupied by a woman known to the neighbors as "Mrs. Dudley." With her were two children she acknowledged were here. "Mrs. Dud-ley" proved to be Miss Waterbury, nce a stenographer for Mayo. As another result of Miss Cook's

ruicide came the discovery by Mrs. Florence Mayo of Scranton that Mayo was the man she had married in 1890 when he was a widower with one child.

She charged that he deserted her a severely wounded; 21 slightly wound-ted; four died of wounds; eight of dis-three little girls to support. She had supposed he was dead. She divorced

When the Mrs. Mayo in Scranton claimed him as her husband, Mrs. Wilhelmina Meyer Mayo, who had supposed herself his wife for several years, sued him for breach of promise and was awarded a verdict of \$100,000 damages last October. The verdict aws upheld by the courts in spite of his efforts to have it reduced.

Friends of Mayo in New Haven were amazed at the revelations of his double life. He was highly respected as a business man and gave liberally

ONE-THIRD CHASE INCOME FOR WIFE

Waterbury, March 9.-The will of Henry S. Chase, filed for probate today, creates a trust to continue during the life of Mrs. Henry S. Chase, she to receive one-third of the income, and the other heirs to receive the Died of meningitie-Sergeant Fell other two-thirds. It is directed "that an army corp consisting of six or said trust shall determine and end at the death of my wife, and at her death I give, bequeath, and devise all Died of accident-First Lieut. Ar-of my property to my children, the thur J. Ferrault. stirpes" In explanation of the absence of public bequests it is stated that the will was drawn under unusual circumstances, on Saturday last, just previous to the operation for appendicitis.

"Mr. Chase had, of course," the statement reads, "no time to formulate anything but the most general provisions, as is disclosed by the will, itself practically in accordance with the Connecticut law of distribution. cotton mills here were in operation It is a question how far in any case today notwithstanding a strike of ideas which he had concerning posunion firemen which became effective sibilities for the future of Waterbury, to which everyone knows, he was most devoted, had taken definite plants of the American Printing Co. shape in his own mind. To whatever and the American Thread Co. were extent these ideas may have been formulated, there was no time and no opportunity for him even to outline them in a will."

The will makes mention of a "certain letter this day written and signed by me directed to my trustees and family," and it is directed that "the trustees retain in their hands of the income of my said property sufficient in amount to use in accordance with

the directions in said letter." Frederick S. Chase, and Frank B. Noble have qualified as executors of the will. The trustees are Mrs. Henry Chase, Miss Edith Chase, Frederick Chase, Irving H. Chase and Frank

GERMAN LIES IN CONNECTICUT CITY

the local war bureau are convinced pose of the order was to keep valuable that efforts are being made in this information from the enemy. Decity to spread terror among parents having sons in service in France. Wild tention of suppressing reports of heavy rumors of disaster to New Britain sol-diers now in the first line trenches have been frequent during the past it would discontinue issuing the lists of few days and enemy sympathizers are dead and wounded, taking the position blamed. One story was to the effect that these without addresses, would that an entire local company had been wiped out and another was that a captain was on his way home, permanently crippled. An investigation is in progress.

Bristol, March 11-A frame building used for store and boiler rooms and the garage of the Peck & Young Mfg. Co., was burned today, main factory building was untouched land, says an Exchange Telegraph that eight of the bandits escaped by by the flames. The loss is \$3,000. The describe from Dublin.

"Keep Home Fires Burning," Author Killed by Bombs

London, March 11-The bodies Mrs. Lena Guilbert Ford, an American poetess, and her son, about 30 years old, were discovered today in the wreckage of a house in which 12 other persons were killed in the German air raid last week.

Mrs. Ford formerly lived in Elmira, N. Y. She was author of "Keep the Home Fires Burning." one of the most popular of the English war songs. Her mother, Mrs. Brown of Elmira, was extriented on Friday from the wreckage of the house, and taken to a hospital, seriously

INTERNATIONAL EGG CONTEST

The heas in the laying contest a Storrs shelled out 3.660 eggs in the eighteenth week. This is a yield of a little over 52 per cent., is nearly 400 eggs better than for last week, and is by far the biggest yield in any one week since the contest opened last that Saturday's tornado wrought per-November. Barred Rocks and Rhode haps more than \$1,000,000 damage in Island Reds were the only two breeds Van Wert and Paulding counties, it is to make the honor roll in the eighthe United States on the Inter-Ally Rocks entered by Tom J. Adamson, Five are known dead, and there are Supreme War Council at Versailles, Laurel, Quebec, and a Long Island The United States is now represented pen entered by Jules F. Francais of on the Supreme Council only by West Hampton Beach were in first and Major. Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, the Chief third with 54 and 50 eggs respectively. of Staff of the army, whose functions Two Massachusetts pens of Rhode are purely military, but the statement Island Reds entered by Richard Allen issued last night in connection with of Pittsfield and Charles H. Lane of Southboro were in second and fourth Baker had arrived makes the flat places with 53 and 49 eggs respec-

As the output of newly laid eggs "For some time," said the official the next few weeks, the price natural-increases as it is obliged to do for desired to visit the headquarters of ly eases off a little. The season for the American Expeditionary Forces. preserving eggs for home use will He saided from an American port soon he at hand. A year ago the man-about Feb. 27. with inquiries for eggs to be preserved mined the length of time he will re-main in France, but his stay will be is high. Unfortunately the laying conlong enough to enable him to make a test could supply very few eggs for thorough inspection of the American this purpose. It is, however, believed, forces abroad and to hold important that those interested in the preservaconferences with American military tion of eggs in this way can secure a suitable product by inquiring of their "It is expected that not only will Local Farm Bureau. Like every other Secretary Baker visit the American project to be undertaken the matter headquarters, but his inspection tour of preserving should be planned bewill cover construction projects, in-forehand, and there is now ample time cluding docks, railroads, and ord-to do this as the price will probably nance bases, now under way back of be lowest in April and May and not only this, but these are the very best eggs to preserve. If one waits until too late in the summer, say June or July, the eggs do not keep so well, and

another thing, a rise in price is likely to set in about that time. The three best pens in each of the principal varieties are as follows:

Barred Plymouth Rocks. F. Francais, West Hampton Beach, L. I. War. Major Gen. Peyton C. March. Rock Rose Farm, Katonah, N. Y. 515 Tom J. Adamson, Laurel P. O. Quebec, Can.

White Wyandottes. Obed G. Knight, Bridgeton, R. I. 646 cumstances of his trip abroad indi- Brayman Farm, Westville, N. H. 531 Rhode Island Reds.

White Leghorns.

Ore. Agricultural College (Ore-... 579 dottes) Easthampton, Mass.... 564 H. P. Cloves, (Buff Wyandottes) East Hartford, Conn. 489

Miscellaneous.

CAPT. BOUCHARDON IS BUSY OFFICIAL

Paris, March 9-Captain Boucharon, the officer charged by the Third and to dry their clothes. Court Martial of Paris with the indary espionage.

With 1917 opened the series of big eyes. cases beginning with that of Bolo On one end of the American line the Pasha, followed by the affair of the enemy laid down a barrage, after bility of assignment to command a Bonnet Rouge, involving eight persons, the Caillaux affair and Lousalot-Comby, and the Routier cases.

PRICES OF COAL CUT IN WEST

Washington, March 9-Drastic reductions in the fixed price for coal at mines in Colorado, Utah, Montana and Wyoming, running in some cases as much as 25 per cent, were ordered esterday by the fuel administration Coal operators declares virtually half the mines in those states would have to stop production under the new scale

AGGIE STUDENTS IN CLASS FIVE

Washington, March 9-Governors rere notified today by Provost Marshal General Crowder that all students in land grant agricultural colleges whose class standing places in No Man's Land near the Chemin them in the upper third of the senior des Dames and fired on it. A sharp class may enlist in the quartermaster's enlisted reserve corps, and will of the Americans causing one enemy be placed by local boards in class 5 in the ground that they are in the military service.

DE ALHUCEMAS TO REMAIN PREMIER

Madrid, March 11-Premier Marquis de Alhucemas, who on Saturday presented the resignation of the cabistry, yielded last night to the argu-Henry K. Huber, in the plane with continue in office. No change will be sulted in a flash, followed by flames made in the cabinet.

PIERCE ENEMY WALL GOING THROUGH FOR 600 YARD DISTANCE

U. S. TROOPERS WITH FRENCH MAKE THREE BRILLIANT CHARGES—NOT A MAN LOST IN OPERATIONS-VALUABLE GERMAN PA-PERS CAPTURED IN TRENCHES.

MILLION DOLLAR DAMAGE DONE BY TORNADO IN OHIO

Columbus, O., March 11-While reports continuing to dribble in show haps more than \$1,000,000 damage in believed today that the number of A Canadian pen of deaths will not exceed six or seven. line, 600 yards back. several injured, who may die.

Apparently the storm's first fury was felt in the neighborhood of Conway. O., west of Van Wert. Wreckage shows that it jumped Van Wert and then swept down on Middle Point, to were levelled. At midnight two forces the east. It then veered north, striking Miller City in Paulding county.

That greater loss of life and more imposing loss of property were not left in the wake of the wind is due to the fact that it did not hit any larger cities. Rural districts bore the brunt

KILL 2 GERMANS IN WIRE TANGLE IN NO MAN'S LAND

With the American Army in France, March 10-Associated Press) -Some of the Americans in a listen ing post in front of their line northwest of Toul early yesterday morning discovered an enemy patrol at work on their own wire and promptly opened fire. The Germans retreated, leaving two of their number hanging on the barbs.

Some hours after daylight a party of five Germans, two infantrymen and three Red Cross workers emerged from the enemy lines and started for their comrades entangled in the wire. The Americans saw the Red Cross brassards and did not fire on the

party, which removed the bodies, There has been increased sniping activity along the whole of the Americon front during the last 24 hours. One enemy post gave the Americans special trouble during the night, placing well-aimed bullets on certain points of the line. After daylight the post still continued working from shell shell holes with periscopes. American snipers tried to silence the enemy from their lines, but were unsucessful. A sniplng patrol was then organized by, the Americans, and went out in broad daylight. The result of this expedition has not been reported. The game of sniping the sniper is still continuing. Reports from various points show that enem; riflemen are endeavoring to pick off American troops. One American sharpshooter yesterday killed a German who was working on a parapet, and other Americans scored hits.

Today was the warmest in many weeks. The weather was fine, and with just enough ground haze to make sniping committions ideal. All the Americans who were not on duty took advantage of the hot sun to thaw out Last night and today the Germans

restigation of cases coming within the dropped phosgene shells on several of jurisdiction of that court, including the American battery positions and the Caillaux case is said to be the mustard shells in the rear of the line. busiest man in France. He has just Three gas alarms were given on the disposed of the Bolo case with its front within a few hours. Owing to the quickness of the American and the guickness of the American and an arms of the guickness of the American and an arms of the guickness of the American and an arms of the guickness of the American and arms of the guickness of the gui an average of a case a day. Sundays justing their gas masks, the shells did excepted for three years. They were no damage. The mustard sticks for mostly small affairs of desertion, insubordination, swindling and seconfalls, and soldlers who are near experience a stinging sensation to their

> having concentrated a rather heavy the bombardment. The American artillery put up a counter-barrage as a precaution against a raid, but none developed. While this was going on the on a town directly in the rear, but the noxious gas did no damage. other end of the line the American gunners laid down a barrage on the enemy line. All along the front the American artillerists shelled the German front and second line and communication trenches.

Owing to the return of better weather conditions there was in-creased aerial activity, both friendly and hostile aircraft flying over the American line. One or two aerial encounters were reported, but they had no definite results. The American anti-aircraft guns fired on numerous enemy airplanes, but they were well out of range. American army observers today flew over the lines in planes of the French squadron. All of them returned safely.

A small American patrol early yes terday morning met an enemy patrol skirmish resulted, the accurate firing casualty and probably three others. The Americans returned to their lines without a man being scratched.

The troops on the Lorraine front at

the same time suffered an extremely neavy concentrated bombardment. Northwest of Toul the enemy fired McLean, who was killed in a fall nearly a hundred gas shells into one of the American battery positions in a short space of time, but not a single man so far has been sent to a hospi-

tal, because of the rapidity with which gas masks were adjusted. and great clouds of smoke.

With the American Army in France, Sunday, March 10-(By the Associated Press)-American troops, co-operating with the French, have carried out three raids opposite the American sector in Lorraine. Two of the raids were executed simultaneously last night.

The Americans swept past the German first line and penetrated to the enemy's second

The two simultaneous raids, one northwest and one northeast of -(deleted) were made after intense artillery preparation lasting for four hours, in which the German positions each of (deleted) with small French forces on their flanks, moved on the German objective behind a creeping barrage, each on a front of 600 yards. When the Americans reached the enemy first lines the barrage was listed so as to box in the German positions at both points.

The men dropped into the enemy's trenches, expecting a hand to hand fight, but found the Germans had fled Continuing the advance, they went forward 600 yards to the second German line. All the time American machine guns were firing on each flank of the two parties to prevent the enemy rom undertaking flanking operations. One French flanking party found two wounded Germans in a dugout and ook them a prisoner. The Americans found none.

The Americans found excellent concrete dugouts, which they blew up, and brought back large quantities of material and valuable papers. While they were in the enemy lines German artillery began a vigorous coun ter barrage. It was quickly silenced by American heavy and light artillery, which hurled large quantities of gar shells on the batteries.

An American trench mortar battery participated in the artillery preparation preceding the raid, helping to level the enemy positions.

Soon after these two raids had been carried out the Americans staged another at a point farther along the line to the right. They went over the top after artillery preparation of 45 minutes, in which the enemy's positions attacked were obliterated. At this place the dugouts were found to have been constructed principally of logs. Engineers accompanying the raiding party completed the artillery's work of destruction.

The raids were carried out skilfully, and but for the fact that the Germans fled more prisoners doubtless would have have been taken. The American gas shells are believed to have caused many casualties am the enemy. No American is unaccounted for.

STATE OFFICIAL GETS COMMISSION

Hartford, March 11 .- Dr. William M. tockwell, superintendent of the Hartford state tuberculosis sanatorium, left this afternoon for Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., to go into training for the United States hospital service. He is commissioned as captain. When he has finished training he will be placed in charge of a base hospital which will contain about 1,000 beds, either in this country or in France, and will be promoted to the rank of major, Dr. Joseph E. Stroebel will act as superintendent of the Hartford sanatorium in the absence of Dr.

COAL OUTPUT IS STILL INCREASING

Washington, March 11-Bituminous coal production continues to increase under favorable weather conditions and improved railroad service. The output for the last three weeks, figures compiled today by the geological survey show, averaged more than 1,800,000 tons a day. This was a considerably larger production than for the same period last year and was above the normal day's output for the entire year.

THREE DAYS FOR LABOR PARLEYS

Washington, March 11.-Members of the Labor Planning Board, meeting here today, favored an arrangement for discussions on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week until a national labor policy is worked out. This plan, members pointed out, will allow business men and labor leaders time to fill other engagements and attend to private affairs.

DEDICATE SOLDIER MEMORIAL Chattanooga, March 11-The War-McLean auditorium at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., near here, was for-mally opened and decated today with a program that included an address Surgeon General William C. Gorgas of the army. and a review rarticipated in by 15,000 medical officers. The auditorium was built by Mrs. W. R. McLean of Philadelphia in

piemory of her son Lieut. Warden

from his horse at the first officers training camp in Fort Oglethorpe. SUSTAIN SLACKER RULING Washington March 11-Conviction of Hugo and Otto Yanyar in Rhode

American artillery blew up an en-emy ammunition dump on Friday. lective draft law by failing to register was sustained today by preme court. Both claimed the law was unconstitutional.

An Atlantic Port, March 11-Mich ael Ryan, of Milford, Conn., an Amer sending of two divisions to lean, victim of a Costa Rican revolu-

tionary disturbance, arrived here today on an American steamer and confirmed stories of an attack made the completion of a proposed on a passenger train between San Jose terbury, who also gave her address as and Port Limon, late in February. Rvan returned home with his left eye destroyed and bringing a suit of clothes containing 12 bullet holes, Six passengers were killed and s number were founded, Ryan said, by bullets fired from a machine Several Americans were in the car with Ryan. He was in Costa

> for an American company. Ryan is well known in Bridgeport. He was the inventor of a welding March, 1915. machine that attracted the attention of several Bridgeport manufacturers including the American Chain Co., and the Automatic Machine Co. He was last employed at the American Chain Co. and left his Milford home

PERSHING LIST SHOW 4 KILLED IN FRONT LINE

Washington, March 11.-Gen. Perthing's casualty report today shows our privates killed in action; four ease, and two from other causes. The list follows:

Killed in action—Private Frank J. Osgood; Cook Linnie G. Fillingem; Privates Francisco Disabatine, Otis D. Wounded severely-Privates Joe lush, John E. Frayne, Hancel Van

Hoose, Charles Goodisky.
Wounded—Privates Antoni Kulig. Wounded slightly-Corporal Edward also met Mayo while working for him J. Smith, Privates Charles A. Roberts, as a stenographer. taking over these duties in connect Floyd R. Leseman, Nazzareno Fagtion with his work in the War Service heta, Emery Wolfe, Henry E. Sted-Exchange. He announced Saturday man, Elmore Murley, Corporal Henry W. Dawson, Private Walter E. Moore, a special demand for mechanical Corporal Herbert L. Livingstone, Pri- to charities. He was reputed to have draftsmen for the ordnance depart- vate Joseph Marcyan, Chief Mechanic amassed a fortune in automobiles and Sidney G. Land, Private Ben A. Kosse, in patents on radiator devices.

Wenell, Henry J. Sweeney, Sergeant

Died of pneumonia-Private William Died of fractured skull-Wagone John C. Collins.

Died of pneumonia-Sergeant C. Howard Peck, Jr.

Died of pnemonia-Privates James McGee, Herman Pape, Thomas J. Gate, George Glenn.
Died of appendicitis-Private Wil-

Ham R. Taylor

COTTON MILLS IN FALL RIVER OPEN

Fall River, March 11 .- Most of the last night. Reports to the Manufacturers 'association showed that the closed, but that in other mills the places of the strikers had been filled. Strike leaders reported every union man had remained away from work and that every mill was feling the

effect of the walkout. The strike was voted on Saturday after the Manufacturers' association had declined to grant demands for a closed shop and shorter hours.

TURKS RETREAT IN MESOPOTAMIA

London, March 11.-There has been a further retirement by the Turks in Mesopotamia, it was announced offi-The Turkish gard cially today. son which on Saturday evacuated Hit. on the Euphrates, before the British advance, and fell back sevel miles up stream, kept up its rearward move-ment and now occupies Khan Baghdadi, on the Euphrates, 12 miles above

British atrmen inflicted severe cas ualties on the Turks as they retreated.

KILL MEXICANS IN RANCH RAID

Laredo, Tex., March 11-Between five and 10 of the Mexican bandits who raided East ranch Thursday night were killed by Capt. Ryan's

cent commandeering of pigs in Ire- night, reported that it was believed

BAKER IN FRANCE FOR CONFERENCE WITH PERSHING

Washington, March 11.-Newton D. Baker, the Secretary of War, has arrived safely at a French port en route to the headquarters of General Perhing, on an important tour of mili-

ary inspection and conference. The fact that Mr. Baker planned to go to France was known here for several weeks before his departure Mr. Baker was aware that newspaper men were acquainted with his inten tion, and on the day he left Washing ton he said good-bye to those who were in the habit of calling on him at the War Department. There was a general understanding among press epresentatives here that no ouncement of his departure would be nade, and that nothing concerning his voyage should be published until the War Department announced his arrival. That announcement was au-thorized at 11 o'clock last night by the

Committee on Public Information. Secretary Baker is accompanied by Major Gen. William N. Black, Chief of Engineers of the Army; Lieut. Col. M. L. Brett, and Ralph Hayes, the private secretary of the Secretary of War.

There had been some speculation as

to whether Secretary Baker would remain in France for an indefinite period and serve in an official capacity as the political representative of teenth week. the announcement that Secretary statement that the Secretary's visit is tively.

"military and not diplomatic."

"Secretary Baker has not deterofficers.

the American lines. "The Secretary's visit is military,

for the purposes of inspection and personal conference with military officials." In the absence of Secretary Baker the affairs of the War Department are being handled by Benedict Crowell, the Assistant Secretary of War, who is now acting as Secretary

and not diplomatic. It is esentially

who recently returned from France, is acting as Chief of Staff. The length of Secretary Baker's visit in Europe is a military secret. Everything known here of the circates that he will resume the duties J. Frank Dubois, East Lynn,

of Secretary of War upon his return. Major Gen. Leonard Wood, who was sent to France in line with the Richard Allen, Pittsfield, Mass. practice of the War department to Pinecrest Orchards, Groton, Mass. 520 have the commanders of divisions in- Chas. H. Lane. Southboro, Mass. 457 spect the fighting front, is still in France. It was known before Sec- J. O. LeFevre, New Paltz, N. Y. 555 retary Baker left Washington that he desired to consult with General Wood, and it was evident that General Wood A. P. Robinson. Calverton, N. Y. 504 was to remain in France until Mr. Baker had the opportunity of meeting There now seems to be him there. reason to believe that General Wood will not return to the United States in the near fture, and it is believed that he is slated for a high command from General Pershing, probably with the rank of Lieutenant General. That rank would carry with it command o

more divisions. Considerable feeling has been man ifested over the belief that General Wood was not to have an opportunity to demonstrate his ability as a commander in the war. He is senior to General Pershing on the list of major generals in the regular army. eral Pershing's present highest rank is held by virtue of his post as commander of all the American expeditionary forces in the field. It was supposed that General Wood would re-turn to the United States to resume command of the National Army division at Fort Riley, Kan, to which he is still nominally attached. But it is now the understanding that he will remain in France with the proba-

much larger force. Mr. Baker said before he left Washington that his visit to France was not to be ceremonial. If he should confer with statesmen of Great Britain and France while he is in Europe it would not surprise, but the understanding is that his tour is of a business character purely, and such honors as are shown to him by British and French officials will be merely

incidental.

WON'T ANNOUNCE CASUALTY LISTS

Washington, March 9 .- Names of the next of kin and emergency addresses of soldiers whose names appear on the casualty lists of the American force in France will be withheld in the future as the result of a War Department order published today.

The announcement explained that the step had been urgently recom New Britain, March 9-Officials of mended by Gen. Pershing and the purpartment officials disclaimed any incasualties abroad. The Committee on Public Information announced that

be worthless to newspapers. OFFICER KILLED AT KELLY FIELD

San Antonio, March 9-Lieutenan Leslie G. Chandler, of Hinsdale, Ills., inet and declined to form a new minwas killed in an airpiane accident at Kelly field early last night. Cadet ments of King Alfonso and agreed to him, escaped with slight injuries.